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**REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/265,788
Filing Date	March 10, 1999
First Named Inventor	Robert Zhong LU et al.
Group Art Unit	1751
Examiner Name	Dawn Garrett
Attorney Docket Number	08291-482001

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on December 20, 2001
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply (copy)
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)
- b. ☒ Other Copy of MSDS for Henkel APG325H is attached to the Amendment

3. **Fee** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-1050
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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Applicant : Robert Zhong LU et al. Art Unit : 1751
Serial No. : 09/265,788 Examiner : Dawn Garrett
Filed : March 10, 1999
Title : AQUEOUS CLEANING AND DISINFECTING COMPOSITIONS BASED ON
QUATERNARY AMMONIUM COMPOUNDS INCLUDING
ALKYLPOLYGLYCOSIDE SURFACTANTS HAVING REDUCED
IRRITATION CHARACTERISTICS

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.116(a)

In response to the action mailed July 20, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please amend claim 17 as follows:

-- 17. An aqueous disinfecting and cleaning composition in a concentrated form which exhibits reduced irritancy according to claim 1 which consists essentially of:

a disinfecting effective amount of a quaternary ammonium compound having germicidal properties;

a mitigating effective amount of a binary surfactant system which comprises both (a) at least one nonionic surfactant selected from alkylpolyglycoside compounds, with (b) at least one further nonionic surfactant compound which is based on a polymeric alkylene oxide block copolymer;

0 - 3%wt. of a polymeric cationic surfactant based on a polyquaternary ammonium salt;

0 - 3%wt. of a builder;

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